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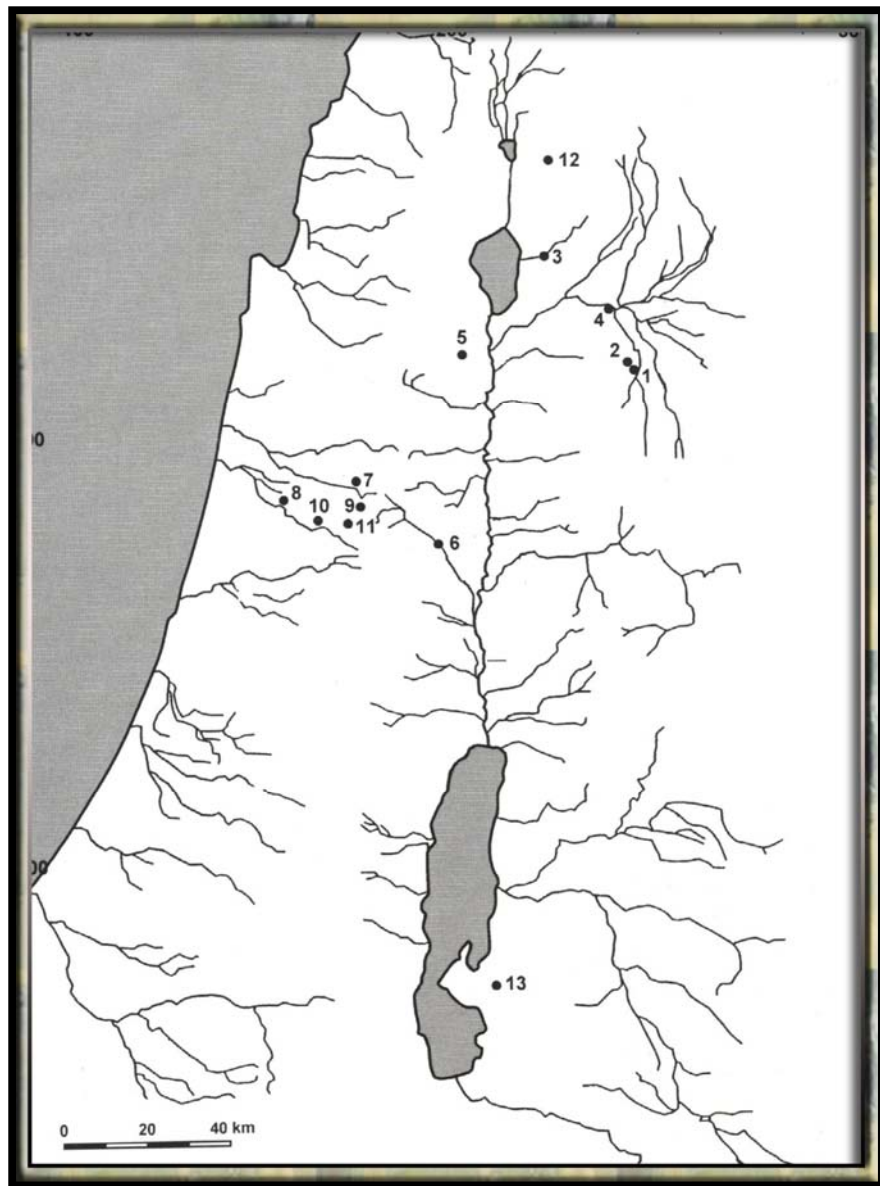
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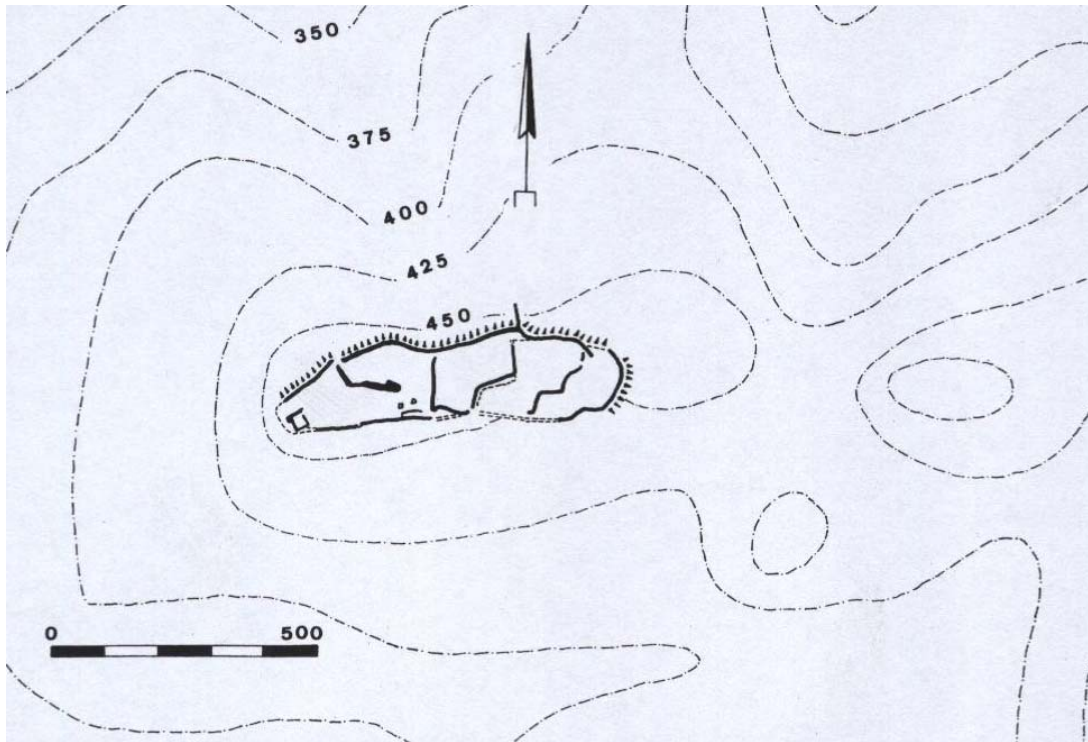
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(Zertal 1993: Fig. 5) :

(Ghadir en-Nakhas) (el-Bardawil) :  
 (Gutman ( ) ( ) ( ) (Sha'abaniyeh) (Lawiyah)  
 .(1972: 269-282; Gutman and Druks 1969: 91-92; Gutman and Epstein 1972  
 (Kochavi  
 .1989)

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 (El-Qaadeh) (Umm el-Hawa) :  
 (Zertal 1993: (El-Khawarrah) (Er-Rujum) (Ras Rashin)  
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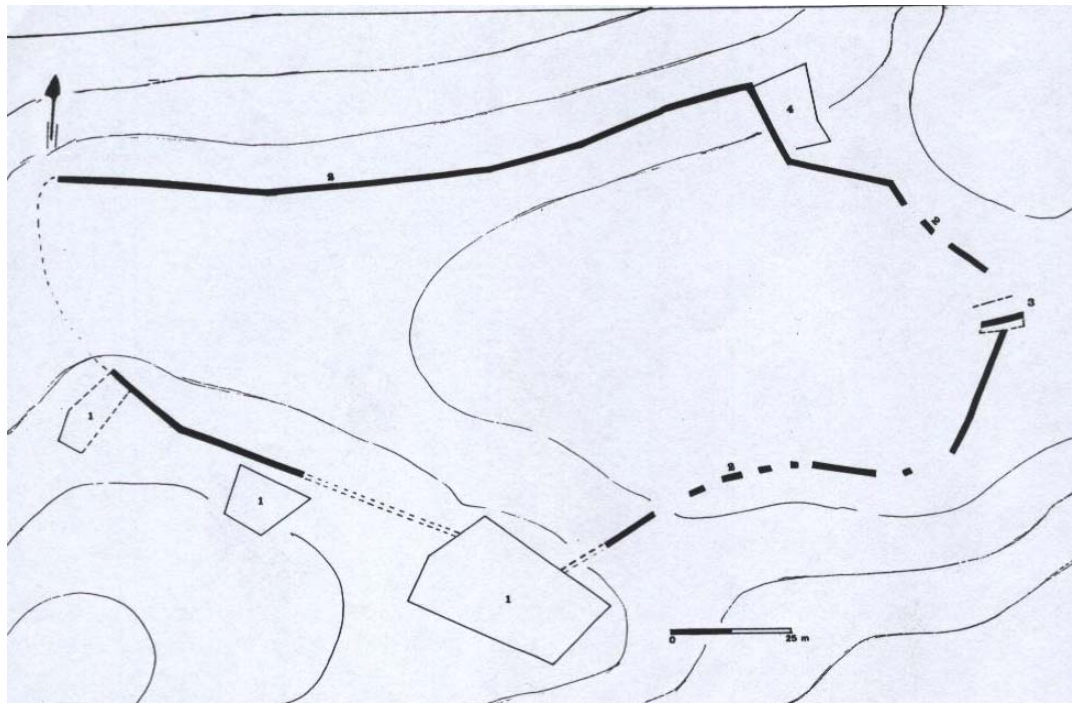
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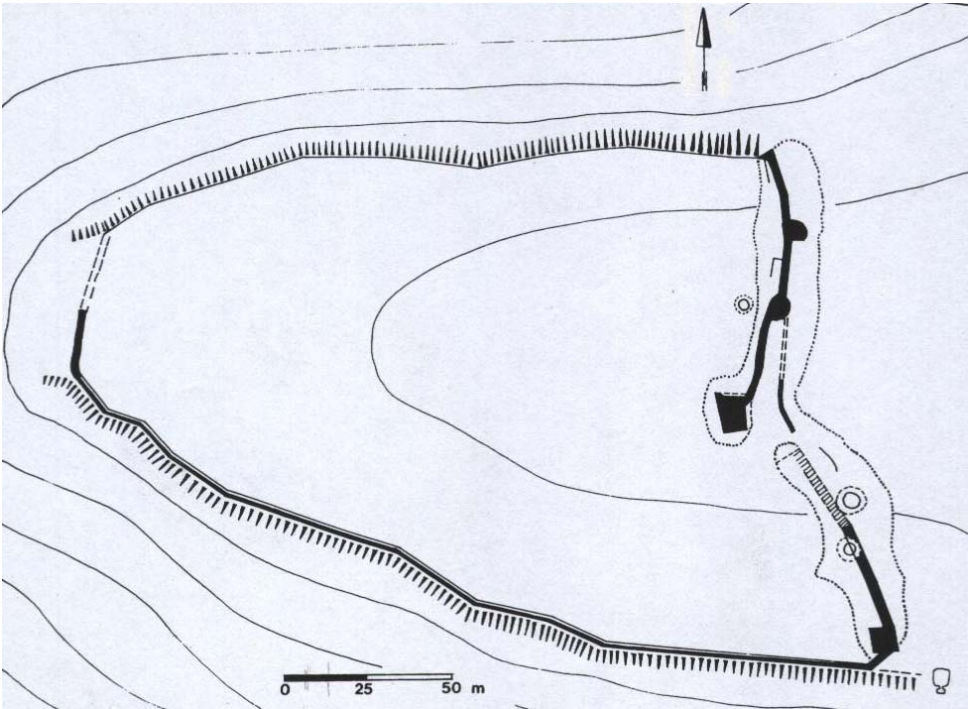
.(Zertal 1993: Fig. 7 ) :

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.(Zertal 1993: 117)

(Khirbet en-Neby Yarub)  
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( Zertal 1993: Fig. 8 ) :

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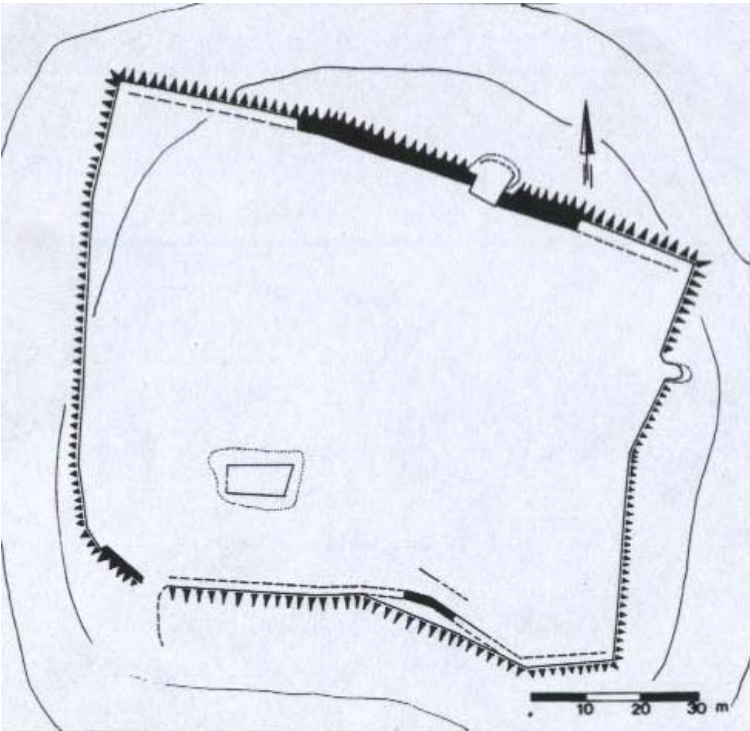
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(*El-Qa<sup>c</sup>adeh*) :

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.(Zertal 1993: Fig. 9 ) :

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.(Zertal 1993: 119)

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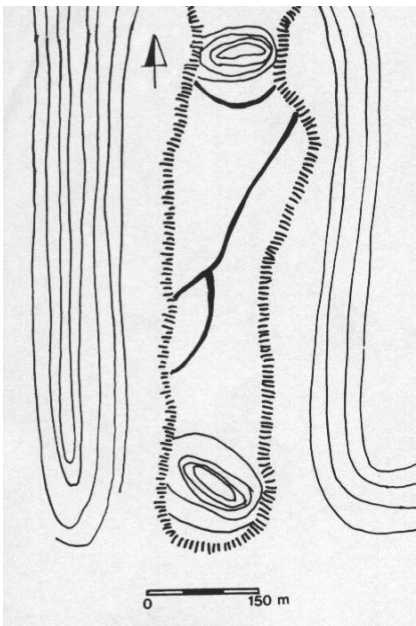
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(Jellamet Ahmar) (Zertal 1993: 119).

(Gutman 1972: 269-

282).



(Zertal 1993: Fig. 3 ) :

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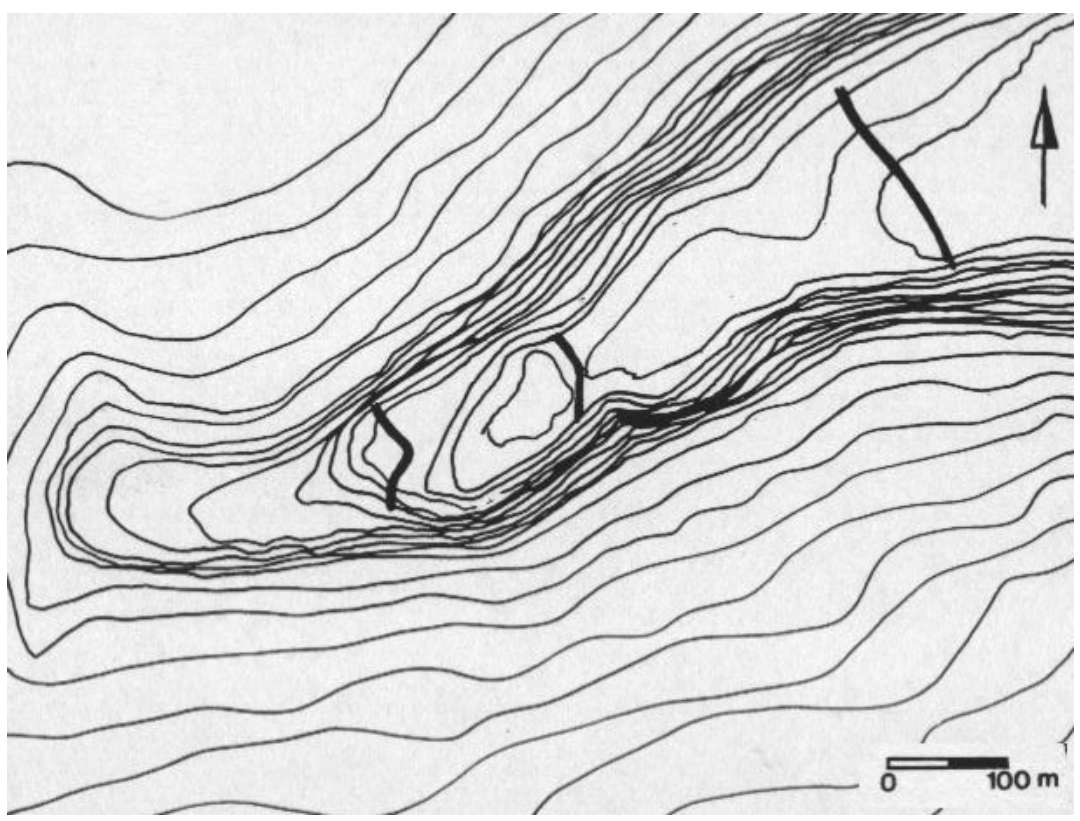
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(Enclosure) .( )  
.(Kochavi 1993: 915)  
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.(Zertal 1993: Fig. 2 ) :





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.(Gutman 1972: 245; Esse 1989: 86) (Sheep pens)  
 .(Zertal 1993: 122)

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 (Schumacher 1914: 50f.) (G. Schumacher)

.(Mittmann 1970: 10-11)  
 (J. Kamlah)  
 .(Kamlah 2000a: 36f.)

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.(Kamlah 2000a) ( )  
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 (EB IV) ( )  
 (MB) (Shaft Tombs)  
 .(Kamlah 2000a: 36)

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(Kamlah 2000a, pl.38.8;39.10)

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.(Kamlah 2000a: pl.115B, 116)

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.(Zertal 1993, fig.8)

.(Kamlah 2000a: 3) 0.65x0.70x1.20 ( )  
(Kamlah 2000a: 116) ( )

(Schumacher 1914: 51)

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.(Kamlah 2000a: 38) (Cup holes)

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1989, fig.2)

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.(Zertal 1993, fig. 8)

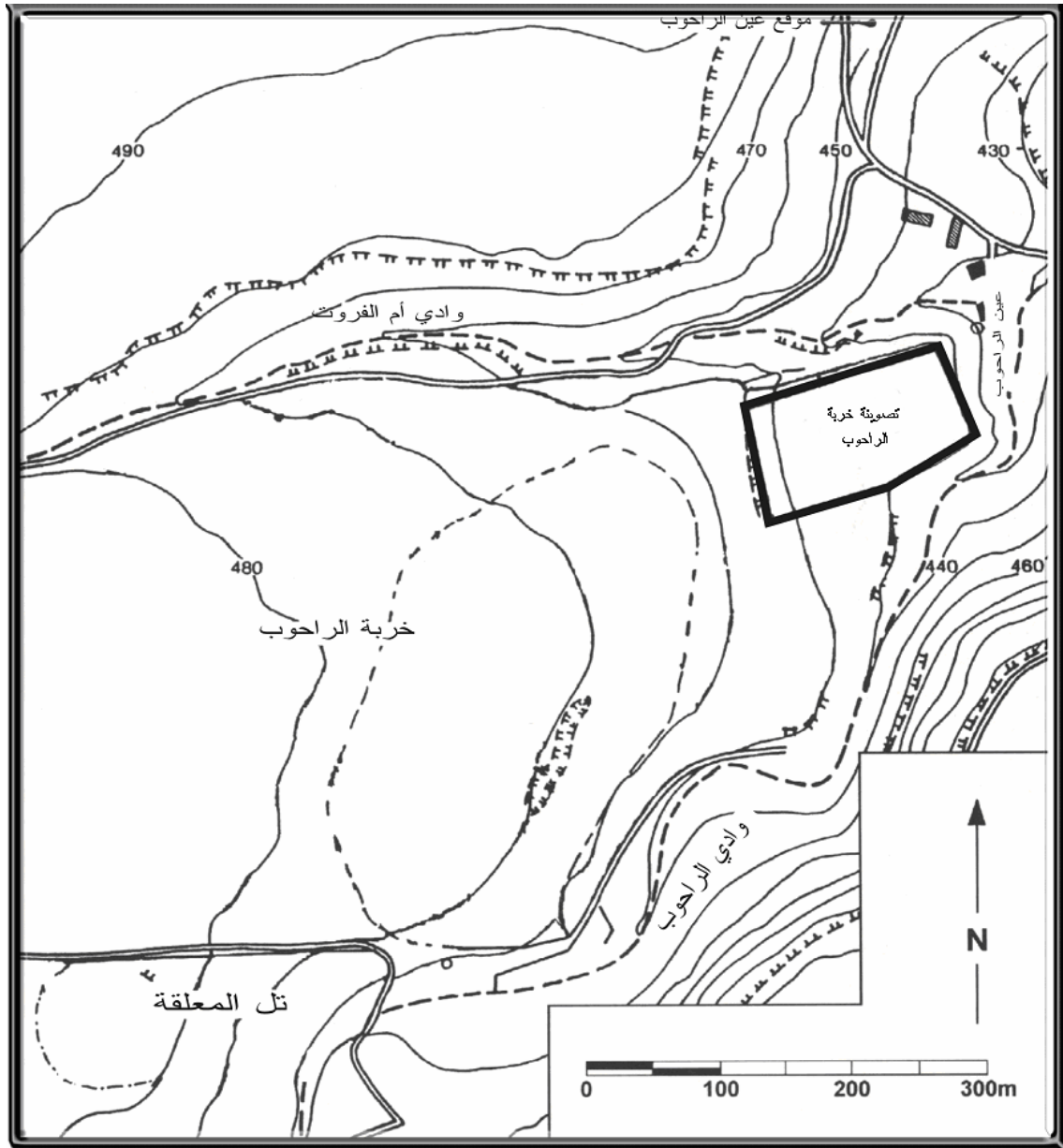
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.(Zertal 1993, fig. 8)

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(Kamlah 2000a: Taf. 35)

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(Kamlah 2000a: 39)

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(Mittmann 1970: 10)

(Kamlah

.2000a:39)

(Grain Wash)

.(Zertal 1993: 121)<sup>(١)</sup>

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(Postern Gates)

(Main Gates)

.(Douglas 2007)

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## **The Early Bronze Age (2900-2750 B.C) Enclosure at Khirbet er-Rahub, North Jordan**

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### **ABSTRACT**

An Early Bronze Age II enclosure was found at Khirbet er-Rahub in North Jordan. It is surrounded by several unfortified EBII sites such as Khirbet er-Rahub itself and Ain Rahub. It is located ca. 3 km north-west of the well fortified town at Khirbet ez-Zeraqon. The first uncovered enclosures came from the Golan Heights through an archaeological survey, while the second group was found in the northern part of Palestine near Wadi al-Faracah. Khirbet er-Rahub enclosure is the only one found in Jordan from the Early Bronze Age. It is the first time that an enclosure has been found located close to unfortified and fortified sites. This case might provide more understanding about the function of the enclosure, which was probably not used primarily for the protection of the settlers but more than likely used for the protection of farmed crops and domesticated livestock.

**Keywords:** Enclosures, Early Bronze Age, Fortifications, Khirbet er-Rahub Enclosure, Khirbet ez-Zeraqon, Wadi er-Rahub.

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